learn its Courſe, by comparing the Accounts of People in different Situations: It ſeems to have lain Eaſt and Weſt, and to have paſſed from the Weſt Eaſtward. I felt nothing of it myſelf as I walked the Street, nor do I find that many who were walking did.

I hope you will pleaſe to excuſe this haſty Account, and permit me to aſſure you that I am, with all poſſible Reſpect,

SIR,

Your moſt obedient

humble Servant,

Catherine-ſtreet, Feb. 8. 4h *p.m.* 1749-50.

H. Baker.

II.

An Account of the Shock of an Earthquake, *felt* Feb. 8. 1749-50: *By* Gowin Knight *M. B. & F. R. S.*

Read Feb. 8. 1749-50. TO-DAY, betwixt 12 and 1 o'Clock, the Houſe in which I live in *Lincoln's-Inn Fields* was ſhook violently for a Moment. The Room where I was ſhook very much, but nothing was thrown down. In another Room the Grate was ſeen to move, and the Fire-ſhovel was thrown down. A Maid-Servant that was above-ſtairs was much frighten'd with the Shock and Noiſe: She ſaid, ſhe heard a Sound like Thunder, which

ſeem'd to come from below: That the Window-curtains and Bed ſhook very ſenſibly, and the latter was moved from its Place nearer to the Wall. Three other Perſons in the Houſe both heard the Noiſe and felt the Shock; but I did not take notice of the Noiſe myſelf, being intent upon ſomething elſe at that time.

Soon after this happen'd, a Servant came from his Grace the Duke of *Newcaſtle*, to inquire if we had perceiv'd what had happen'd; and ſaid, that his Grace's Houſe had ſhook all over.

I ſent to two or three Houſes in the Neighbourhood, and was informed, that they were equally ſenſible both of the Shaking and the Noiſe; and at one of the Houſes it had thrown down a Firkin of Butter from a Shelf. I was further informed, that ſeveral of the neighbouring Inhabitants ran out of their Houſes; and ſome Gentlemen that were playing at Tennis ran out of the Tennis-Court.

A Woman reports, that ſhe felt a like Shock the Night before laſt about 7 o'Clock, which made the Candle jump off the Table at which ſhe then ſat.

Whilſt I was writing, a Man came in from *Greenwich*, who ſaid, he was at *Dockhead* when the Shock was felt there, and the Noiſe ſeem'd to him like that of a Cannon at a Diſtance: That all the Way he came, as far as *London-Bridge*, the People were alarmed at it.